

AMENDED CLAIMS SHOWING THE AMENDMENTS

3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 [or 2] further comprising the steps of:

for each data store generating a list therein containing an entry for each first dependent file in the data store, said entry including a first record having details of the first dependent file.

5. (Amended) A method according to [any one of claims 1 to 4] claim 1 further comprising the steps of:

selecting the file locator from a file locator means which contains a plurality of file locators; and

selecting a file reader from file reader means which contain a plurality of file readers.

6. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said predetermined parameter comprises the date on which the data file was last modified.

7. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said predetermined parameter is a UNIX date stamp.

8. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 further comprising the steps of: identifying every said first dependent file in said data store.

9. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said data store is a data base library.

13. (Amended) A computer system according to claim 10, further comprising:
file locator means containing the plurality of file locators; and
file reader means containing the plurality of file readers.

14. (Amended) A computer system according to claim 10, wherein said predetermined parameter comprises the date on which the date file was last modified.

15. (Amended) A computer system according to claim 10, wherein said predetermined parameter is a UNIX date stamp.

16. (Amended) A computer system according to claim 10, wherein said data store is a data base library.